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RE: Franklin County State Airport 2023 construction project

Dear Airport Users,

This letter serves as an infrastructure project update for the users of Franklin County State Airport by the Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTrans).

The two FAA grants that VTrans was awarded for the existing 3000' runway reconstruction, 15' runway widening, and airport lighting project is still on track and we got confirmation from the contractor today that construction will begin April 17, 2023 and will be completed by the end of September 2023. **As a reminder, for both the safety of our contractors and the safety of our airport users, the airport will be closed for the duration of the construction project.** Airport users will still be able to access their hangars to work on aircraft that remain on the airport during the project.

Anyone that wants to continue to have access to an open airport are advised to move their aircraft out KFSO before the April 17, 2023 closure. No aircraft arrivals or departures of any kind will be allowed on the airport during the construction project. I would suggest that you do not wait until April 16th to move your aircraft so you do not rely on having good weather that day and also to avoid conflict with other users trying to depart.

Please note, due to the shift the runway centerline and change in magnetic declination the runway will be renamed 18-36 by the end of this project. FAA has advised a NOTAM shall be issued notifying the users of the runway name change until the next publication is issued. Due to the minor shift in centerline, FAA flight procedures has explained that the instrument procedure may not change. The FAA is reviewing our design files and confirming this further.

We have been reviewing construction material submittals, the contractor has been stockpiling manufactured topsoil and constructing staging area this winter. If you see trucks delivering materials before April 17, 2023, they have an approved safety plan to be on the airfield that VTrans is overseeing.

We look forward to the successful completion of these improvement projects at Franklin County State Airport and will continue to keep you informed as project milestones are reached. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

Sincerely,

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